

juvenile) in which a juvenile's abuse or neglect is in issue nor in any judicial proceeding resulting from a report submitted under this Article, both as said privileges relate to the competency of the witness and to the exclusion of confidential communications."

Sec. 2. G.S. 8-53.3 is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end of the section, to read:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the psychologist-client privilege shall not be grounds for excluding evidence regarding the abuse or neglect of a child, or an illness of or injuries to a child, or the cause thereof, in any judicial proceeding related to a report pursuant to the Child Abuse Reporting Law, Article 44 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of June, 1987.

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CHAPTER 324

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DOT TO EXCHANGE UNECONOMIC REMNANTS CREATED BY HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 136-44.15. *Uneconomic land remnant exchange.*--For the purpose of lessening the adverse impact to tracts of land divided by the construction of a highway project on right-of-way donated by the abutting property owner, the Department of Transportation is authorized to acquire in fee simple the remnants of such divided tracts which cannot feasibly be used with the principal tract of land, for the purpose of exchange with other such property owners. The sole consideration for the acquisition of any remnant acquired pursuant to this act shall be the exchange of another remnant acquired for the same purpose without additional monetary consideration."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and shall expire June 30, 1988.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9th day of June, 1987.